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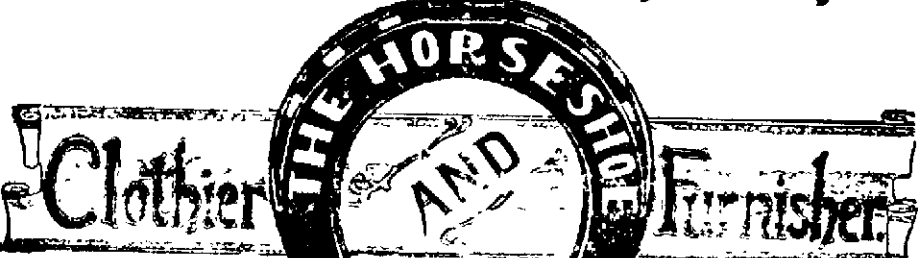
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POTTER AT MANILA.

Says Situation at Iloilo Is Practically Unchanged.

REBELS THREATEN TO BURN CITY.

Their Leaders Ridicule the Idea of Conciliation—Petrel Arrives—Dispatch From Otis—Said to Contain Nothing Alarming.

MANILA, Jan. 9.—Colonel Potter, the special messenger of General Otis between Manila and Iloilo, arrived yesterday afternoon with dispatches from the latter point. The situation when he left there was practically unchanged. The streets were barricaded, and it was reported that the principal buildings had been "kerosened," the insurgents having threatened to destroy the whole business section by fire at the first shot of bombardment. The banks were shipping their treasure to the United States transport Newport and the United States. The family of the American vice consul had gone on board the Newport.

Colonel Potter reports that President McKinley's proclamation had to be typewritten aboard ship, as the printers on shore declined to do the work, and when the text of the proclamation was read to them, they ridiculed the notion that conciliation was possible.

Privates Harry Silvey and Frank Kirkpatrick of the Sixth United States artillery, while guarding a water boat, were attacked by the natives of the crew. Private Silvey's skull was fatally fractured, and Private Kirkpatrick fell overboard, but escaped with a flesh wound.

The United States gunboat Petrel arrived at Iloilo on Friday, and Colonel Potter reports that the United States troops will probably land on Guimaras island, about midway between the island of Panay and the island of Negros, where a camp will be established.

There is no change in the situation here. On Friday night public demonstrations were held in Panapang province in ratification of Aguinaldo's proclamation, and the excitement was intense.

All natives who enter the city in the night are searched, and every other precaution is taken.

DISPATCH FROM OTIS.

It is Said to Contain No Unfavorable News.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The war department received another dispatch yesterday from Major General Otis, commanding the United States troops in the Philippines. The officials observe unusual reticence with respect to its contents, but it is understood that the information contained is not of an unfavorable character or such as to give undue concern to the administration. So far as the officials are willing to admit the dispatch shows no material change in the conditions existing at the time of previous advices.

A cabinet officer said last night that the dispatch contained nothing alarming, serious or exciting. There had been no collision with the insurgents, he added, and not a shot had been fired. The dispatch, however, is believed to have been of sufficient importance to bring to the immediate attention of the president, and the latter, Secretary Alger and Secretary Long and Adjutant General Corbin were in conference for some time at the White House during the afternoon, presumably on that matter.

The president's proclamation to the Philippines had been published in Manila, but General Otis did not say to what extent it had been known to the inhabitants of the other islands, nor whether it had been published at Iloilo. At the latter place General Miller has been directed to land the troops under his command now on the transports there, but the dispatch from General Otis did not indicate whether this had been done or not.

No Massacre at Balabac. According to the statements of people who have just arrived from the island of Balabac, south of the island of Palawan, there is no massacre in the report that the Spanish troops have been massacred by the Filipinos. They say that the story is an invention of the priests to prejudice the Filipino cause, and declare also that there are not more than a half dozen Spaniards in the island and that all who have been killed fell in warfare.

Agriculture at Iloilo.

MADRID, Jan. 9.—Advices were received here yesterday from a leading merchant at Iloilo, capital of the island of Panay, in the Visayas group, to the effect that agricultural operations in the vicinity of Iloilo have not been interrupted and that all the insurgents respect the lives and property of the Spaniards and on the island of Negros.

Ireland Going to Rome.

ST. PAUL, Jan. 9.—In stating, as he did Saturday, that he has not been summoned to Rome to discuss with the pope American disarmament, Cuba or the Philippines, or any other question, Archbishop Ireland said yesterday that he does not wish to go to Rome, and that he is not going to Rome. On the contrary, he will visit Rome some time this spring. His departure has not as yet been determined. The visit is such a one as is made once in ten years by each of the archbishops. Under the rules of the church it is called a "visit to the Apostles' Gate."

Mr. Dingley's Condition.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9. There has been no material change in the condition of Representative Dingley, and it is said he is resting comfortably.

Spanish Soldiers at Lisbon.

LISBON, Jan. 9.—Three steamers arrived yesterday from Cuba, bringing 5,000 repatriated Spanish troops.

A FATAL COLLISION.

Two Engineers and a Fireman Killed.

CHATTANOOGA, Jan. 9.—A head on collision occurred between a local passenger train and a double header train on the Knoxville and Ohio branch of the Southern railroad near Newcomb, between Jellico and Knoxville, yesterday morning about 11 o'clock. Engineer Maxey of the passenger train, one of the oldest men on the road, was killed, as was his fireman. The engineer of the freight train, whose name has not yet been learned, was also killed and his fireman fatally burned.

The passenger train had the right of way, and the freight was running in disobedience of orders. The railroad officers refuse to give any information about the wreck, claiming that they do not know the extent of the losses. It is reported that two passengers were killed and a number seriously burned. An oil car was next to the engine on the freight train, and its tank exploded, almost destroying both trains.

M'CULLAGH'S REPORT.

New York Police With Opposing His Work.

ALBANY, Jan. 9.—The report of John M'Cullagh, state superintendent of elections for the Greater New York district, has been received at the governor's office and will be transmitted to the legislature on Wednesday next. Its general characteristics are complaints that the law was opposed by the head of the police department in New York, the district attorney in New York and the Democratic organizations in New York and Kings county.

In addition he claims that the lower court justices in New York city threw obstructions in the way of punishment of violators and gave outrageously bad decisions. In spite of all these obstacles he claims that the law was successfully administered, and if his figures are correct it is highly probable that its enforcement elected Colonel Roosevelt governor.

Ships Wrecked at St. John's.

ST. JOHN'S, N. F., Jan. 9.—The British steamer Anglian, 16 days out from London for Boston, arrived here yesterday, towing the British steamer Hestia, 24 days out from Glasgow, in ballast, for Baltimore. The Hestia encountered terrific weather crossing the Atlantic, and on Sunday last her tail shaft broke. Shortly afterward the Anglian came alongside, stood by her for three days and nights, and then took her in tow, reaching this port after four days. The Hestia was constantly swept by heavy seas, and her upper works were almost battered to pieces. When the steamer was anchored in the harbor a severe gale was blowing. The Hestia drifted ashore on the south side of the harbor, striking stern on, in which position she still lies. The Anglian endeavored to tow her off, but she also struck, though after hard efforts she got off.

To Muster Out Sixty-ninth.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The Sixty-ninth New York regiment of volunteers will be mustered out of the service of the United States in New York in accordance with a decision reached by Secretary Alger yesterday. This action is taken in response to the requests of the citizens of New York and Governor Roosevelt, who are anxious that the men should return in a body and be accorded the honors due them. The question of quarters while in New York pending muster out has been solved, the governor telegraphing to Secretary Alger that these would be provided. The regiment is now at Huntsville, Ala., and will leave for home as soon as the rolls can be completed.

Distinguished Cleveland Man Dead.

CLEVELAND, Jan. 9.—Colonel Richard C. Parsons died yesterday aged 72 years. Colonel Parsons had long been a distinguished citizen of Cleveland. As a soldier he was a member of the Ohio house of representatives and a speaker of that body. Later he was appointed by President Lincoln consul to Rio de Janeiro. Subsequently he was marshal of the United States supreme court. He served one term in congress and was instrumental in inaugurating the harbor improvements at this port. For a time he was editor of the Cleveland Herald. At the time of his death Colonel Parsons was referee in bankruptcy, deceased was a fine orator and writer of force.

Overdue Steamers in Port.

HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 9.—Furness, Withy & Co. agents of the overdue steamers Manchester, Trader and Damara, were much happy yesterday by the arrival of the Trader at this port and the Damara at St. John's, N. F. The first cable from St. John's says the Damara had terrible weather, being 23 days out from Liverpool, but suffered no material damage, with all on board well. The Manchester Trader was 19 days out. She reports the most terrific weather ever encountered.

Fifield Has Not Yet Accepted.

MONTPELIER, Vt., Jan. 9. Hon. R. F. Fifield in an interview yesterday said that he had not accepted the appointment as senator and will not give his answer to Governor Smith's offer until he has fully considered it. He also declined to express an opinion on any national issue. Mr. Fifield says he is being urged by his friends to accept the office.

Cuban Bandits Captured.

SANTIAGO, Cuba, Jan. 9. Lieutenant Colonel Bay reports from Guantanamo that a Cuban major a short time ago took to the woods with several of his men, became a bandit and killed five men. The entire band has been captured and will be put on trial.

New President of Colgate University.

NEWTON, Mass., Jan. 9.—Rev. George C. Merrill, for eight years pastor of the Emmanuel Baptist church of this city, resigned yesterday to accept the presidency of the Colgate university at Hamilton, N. Y.

BURNED TO DEATH.

Hotel Richelieu at Pittsburg Guttled by Fire.

THREE DEAD AND FIVE BADLY HURT.

A Drummer's Coolness Saves Six Lives—Fire Started by an Explosion of Gas—List of Killed and Injured.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 9.—A fire in the Hotel Richelieu yesterday resulted in a property loss of only about \$15,000, but three lives were sacrificed and five people were badly hurt. The dead are Amos S. Landis of Grapeville, Pa.; George A. Walters of Camden, N. J., and Mrs. Katherine Boyle of Pittsburg. The three victims were guests of the hotel, and all were suffocated by the dense smoke.

The injured are Dr. Robert Blackley of Plymouth, Pa., fracture of vertebrae, caused by falling from third floor window, will probably die; Henry Painter of Grapeville, Pa., small blood vessels of lungs ruptured by inhaling smoke, may recover; John L. Mills, proprietor of the hotel, face and body badly burned; Miss Mills, his daughter, cut by glass while getting through window to escape; William Garretson of Clearfield, Pa., delegate to miners' national convention, painfully burned about back and hips, returned home.

The fire originated on the second floor from an explosion of gas, and within a few moments the building was a mass of flames and blinding smoke. The noise of the explosion awakened most of the guests, about 20 in number, and a frantic fight for life ensued.

Robert N. Thompson of Kalaska, Mich., a salesman for the Cadillac Lumber company, was the means of saving at least six lives. In the first moments after the explosion he rushed into the hallway of the second floor and a woman, whom he dragged into the reception room. Five others, three men and two women, who had been turned back from the stairway by the flames, were shrieking and fighting for some exit. Thompson forced them all into the big room and locked the door. Knowing that it meant death to go into the hall, he fought the desperate men back until the arrival of the firemen, when all were rescued.

The hotel is completely gutted.

Mass at Santiago.

SANTIAGO, Jan. 9.—Senator Bartolome Maso, who arrived here yesterday from Havana, was enthusiastically received and escorted from the wharf by a torchlight procession. The Spanish club was closed by the authorities and an extra guard mounted. This week the Cuban negro who on Dec. 15 killed a Baracoa merchant who had landed here to purchase supplies, mistaking him for the guerrilla, Celestino Rodriguez, will be put on trial for murder. A considerable sum has been subscribed toward his defense. Accoutrements sufficient to mount 1,000 men have been received, and horses are expected shortly for that number. The United States cruiser Detroit arrived here yesterday. The United States collier Southerly, now at Guantanamo, is under orders to return to the United States.

Santiago Customs Trouble.

SANTIAGO, Cuba, Jan. 9.—Senator Bardi, the mayor of Santiago, is calling to Havana each day regarding the situation here, explaining that the local excitement growing out of the original proposal of the United States authorities to concentrate the customs receipts at Havana is not allayed and that the people want provincial and municipal autonomy. Arrangements have been made for a special cable service to inform the people here as to developments after General Wood's arrival in Washington.

Death of a Centenarian.

BEVERLY, Mass., Jan. 9.—William Endicott, one of the most interesting old men of this city, died yesterday aged 100 years lacking two months. He was born here and had occupied nearly every town and city office and for a great many years was interested in city institutions. He was an eyewitness of the emancipation between the frigates Chesapeake and Shannon, June 1, 1813, and was of the sixth generation from Governor Endicott of the Massachusetts Bay colony.

Castellane to Sue For Libel.

PARIS, Jan. 9. Count Henri de Castellane, member of the chamber of deputies for the Castellane district of the Lower Alps, who married Miss Anna Gould will institute proceedings against Les Droits de l'Homme for asserting that in consequence of a quarrel regarding an actress he recently fought a duel with Al. Paul Bonaparte, founder of the Patriotic League and member of the chamber of deputies for the Angoulême division of Charente.

No Contest in South Dakota.

PIERRE, S. D., Jan. 9. The determination has been reached to drop the contest for the governorship in this state. The conclusion of leaders on both sides is that such a contest would take several months to carry to a successful issue, and no benefit of administration would be secured to the winning party.

Kitchener After the Khalifa.

LONDON, Jan. 9. According to a dispatch to The Daily News from Cairo, General Lord Kitchener, the ardent, has decided to send a strong expedition against Khalifa Abdullah, who is now in Darfur with a large force of dervishes and has been taking the aggressive against the local tribesmen.

New Mayor of Havana.

HAVANA, Jan. 9. Major General Ludlow, military governor of the city of Havana, has chosen John Diaz Evans to succeed the Marquis de Estaban as mayor of Havana, and Mr. Evans assumed his new duties yesterday.

CONGRESSIONAL FORECAST.

Chairman Hull's Illness Delays the Army Bill.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The time of the house will be fully occupied from this time forward until the conclusion of the session. Appropriation bills, which are already in an unusually advanced stage, are to be kept to the fore, but there is a deal of other important legislation which will press for consideration at every opportunity. Perhaps the most important single measure in the bill for the reorganization of the army. It was the general understanding before the recess that this bill would be given consideration immediately after the holidays, but the illness of Chairman Hull of the military affairs committee will delay this measure until he is sufficiently recovered to attend the sessions of the house. His illness will also delay the Military academy and army appropriation bills. Meantime the friends of the navy personnel bill are pushing for its consideration, and the rules committee may give a day to it during the present week. The bill represents a complete agreement between the senate and the staff. These two branches of the service have been at war for many years, but now that they have at last got together and agreed upon a measure its passage, once it gets to a vote, is assured. The only opposition to it is likely to arise from the fact that the reorganization it contemplates involves an additional charge on the treasury of several hundred thousand dollars. The final vote on the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill will be taken today. The opponents of the civil service law succeeded in striking from the bill while the house was in committee of the whole the appropriation for the maintenance of the commission. But today, when the vote is taken in the house, where members are obliged to go on record, there is little doubt that the appropriation will be restored. The diplomatic and consular and the naval appropriation bills are the next budgets to be taken up, and either or both of them may be considered this week. Such times as intervenes will be consumed in the consideration of the bill for the codification of the laws of Alaska. This bill has been made a continuing order. Portions of two days have already been consumed by it, and less than 70 of the 232 pages of the bill have been disposed of. The lawyers of the house show an inclination to go over it critically section by section, and it may be before the house for an indefinite period.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

A Kongo Free State force had been defeated with heavy loss by rebels. China has satisfied the German claims growing out of the outrages on a German missionary.

Senator Silveira made a declaration in Madrid of the Conservative policy and predicted the downfall of the Sagasta ministry.

The British steamer Wooler has been lost at sea. Four of the crew were rescued by the steamer Loch Elvie. The others of the crew are missing. A meeting of Cuban officers held near Havana expressed a willingness to disband, provided the Cuban army received money for a new start in life.

Secretary Alger has issued a general order covering the collection of taxes in Cuba, by the Spanish bank until the military can take charge of the matter. Agents of Aguinaldo have billed Manila with a manifesto from the revolutionary president, answering General Cervera's proclamation, a few hours after the latter was issued. Senator Quay's case came up in Philadelphia upon arguments for and against a motion for the removal of the trial from the county court to the supreme court, and the decision was not announced.

No Arrest in Adams Case.

NEW YORK, Jan. 9.—Another day has passed without an arrest having been made in the Adams murder case, notwithstanding the activity of the police. They are following every conceivable lead to discover the identity of the murderer of Mrs. Adams, who is also the supposed possessor of Henry Clay's autograph. Captain McChesky of the detective bureau said that he expected to make an arrest yesterday and that in fact he could not tell when he would take any person into custody. It is certain that he has not sufficient evidence in his possession on which to arrest a person. At the same time the person who is under suspicion cannot leave the city without the fact being known to McChesky. Steps were taken many days ago to insure his being kept track of, and such time as it is determined that he will be placed under arrest or that he is innocent.

The Spanish Cabinet.

MADRID, Jan. 9.—The members of the government believe that Sr. Sagasta will again endeavor to propose the cabinet crisis by suggesting to the queen regent that she use her constitutional powers to dismiss the ministry when the American secretary shall have notified it and then construct the present cabinet at the beginning of February, in which event Sr. Sagasta would form a moderate cabinet and reconstruct his party. Sr. Sagasta would wait for a day today. A dispatch received from Havana says that all the Spanish soldiers have now left the island.

An Embassador to Austria.

LONDON, Jan. 9.—The Vienna correspondent of The Daily Chronicle is reporting that the news that the United States and the Austro-Hungarian governments have been considering the elevation of their respective legations to the rank of embassies, asserts that this course has been definitely agreed upon.

Death of a Vice President's Daughter.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 9. Miss Sophia Talbot, daughter of George M. Davis, who was vice president of the United States in the President's life, is dead in her seventy-sixth year.

Still Hammering Away at His Disarmament Proposal.

Editor Stead Is the Autocrat's Chosen Mouthpiece—Why the Proposed Congress Will Not Achieve Anything Tangible.

(Special Correspondence.)

THE beginning of 1899, contrary to all predictions made a year or more ago, sees all the nations of the world at peace. Russia, which once led the aggressive war powers of the European continent, is going around seeking proselytes for the peace policy advocated by the czar, the autocrat himself leaving nothing undone



WILLIAM T. STEAD.
(London Editor Authorized to Speak for the Czar.)

to make his proposed international peace conference at least something of a success.

Although Russian officialdom, from the throne down to the rural police office, has always denounced the press as an agency of evil, yet it recognizes its power, and the emperor has not disdained to make a confidant of William T. Stead, the London editor who a few years ago achieved considerable fame, or notoriety, for exposing the vices of high British society.

To Mr. Stead the czar confided that after studying nineteenth century civilization, he has found it not entirely good. He sees nations engaged in seizing, or trying to seize, all territory not yet occupied by European powers, and, looking at the results, discovers them to be unsatisfactory.

"For the native races what does imperial expansion mean?" asks the czar; and then answers his own question as follows: "Too often opium, alcohol and all manner of foul diseases; a great gulf between the governed and those who rule; and crushing taxation upon the natives for the blessings of this civilization. And for the nations who seize it means a continual increase of suspicion, jealousy and rivalry; the keeping up of fleets and armies in order to take part in a scramble with the world, with the result that the army and navy are swallowing up more and more millions that should be used for the welfare of the people and the advancement of the world."

Speaking of the social effects of this state of affairs, the czar is inclined to think that "on top are a few rich and comfortable. Down below, with an ever-increasing pressure of taxes for armaments, is the great mass of poor people whose position is not good. There is an ever-increasing multitude of those below, with their brooding discontent ripening into socialism and developing into all kinds of anarchy. We have at the present time arrived at the stage when our best manhood is in the army. So much is this the case that the whole of the troops in European countries cannot be mobilized without dislocating the whole social fabric. Moreover, war has become so expensive that no state can stand the strain of



"THE FUTURE, BY BELLOC."
(Statue Symbolizing the Czar's Ideal of Disarmament.)

protracted war without having to look back at the face, and we are so perfecting our modern weapons of destruction that no army can go into the field without losing so large a proportion of its officers that when the war is over, even if that army be victorious, the war will have inflicted irreparable loss on the country. What with disconnection, caused by mobbing; what with an empty exchequer; what with, decorated ranks of leading and governing men, I see nothing before any nation but a terrible heritage of revolutionary anarchy."

The scene, which Emperor Nicholas has given to the world through Mr. Stead is an able one, full of truth and worthy of serious consideration.

Probably on account of the dignified wording of the imperial message it has been received well in all the capitals of Europe, but more especially in Paris where the people are, momentarily, "peace mad." A statue symbolizing the czar's ideal of universal disarmament is being displayed in copy all over the French metropolis through photo-

graphs and plaster casts. Its title is "The Future," and it is the creation of Belloc, a rising sculptor. The statue represents a robust artisan transforming the weapons of war into the traditional plowshare and pruning hook, the emblems of peace. Thousands of these statues have been sold—certainly a reliable indication that France wants peace.

In Great Britain the czar's latest utterance was received with decent attention, but no steps have been taken to put a stop to the military and naval preparations which have been prosecuted with great vigor ever since the Fashoda affair threatened to lead to hostilities. Evidently the British government has but little confidence in the good faith of the Russian emperor; and this lack of trust is justified by the events of the past year in Northern Asia, where Russia has seized point after point without consulting the rights or interests of any other power. England naturally expects that a pathetic appeal for disarmament should be preceded by at least an outward show of respect for the rights of others; and being an able hand at political hypocrisy herself she has learned to distrust others, even though they appear in sheep's clothing.

Germany has nothing but the kindest words for the disarmament idea, and expects to be ably represented at the peace congress. In the interim, however, Emperor William will increase the standing army by the addition of 40,000 men and make most formidable additions to the navy; probably to meet recent additions to the Russian army and to neutralize the vast grants made for the building of Russian ships.

The only so-called first-class power which is thoroughly and honestly in sympathy with the peace proposition is Italy. Nothing will rescue this poor country from revolution and anarchy but a reduction of taxation, and not until army and navy expenses are scaled down can the government hope for a reasonably safe and protracted lease of power. Internal discontent will compel Italy to forsake the triple alliance and to curtail its army expenditures; and unless all other nations conclude to disarm the kingdom is destined, in the near future, to become the leader of second-class powers instead of remaining the weakest of first-class powers.

The only European nation which will not be officially represented at the



SULTAN ABDUL HAMID.
(Turkey's Ruler, Who Takes No Stock in the Peace Idea.)

peace congress is Turkey. Abdul-Hamid is not a fool. He knows that Russia has no love for the Ottoman realm, and so declines to put his head in the spring trap. If he is to be strangled, he would prefer a bold fight to being caught with a bit of trifling bait. He probably labors under the impression—and it is not an injudicious one, either—that disarmament in his case would mean annihilation. Nothing, in fact, can prolong Turkish rule except the maintenance of a strong army, and as long as the present administration reigns at Stamboul, bearish peace proposals will be received for what they may be worth.

The people of the United States are earnest advocates of universal disarmament, and our government will add its voice to the czar's appeal for peace. And so will all the small countries of Europe—Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Holland, Belgium, Spain and Portugal—whose safety depends upon treaties made by and between their more powerful neighbors.

But in spite of this sympathetic feeling the St. Petersburg peace congress is destined to be a failure, simply because not one of the great powers will take the initiative in the disarmament movement. Had the czar been truly honest in his pacific desires he would have reduced his own army instead of increasing it and centralizing it in localities where it must be viewed as a menace by other nations.

Universal disarmament will not be accomplished by a congress of diplomats or governments. But it is bound to be the logical outcome of the next great war when, to use the czar's words, "even the victor will have learned that it has inflicted irreparable loss on his country."

Truth sometimes has to be pounded into nations as well as individuals, and in the matter of universal disarmament the rod will prove a more effective preacher than imperial patitudes.

G. W. WEIPPERT.

There Are Three Classes.
Dr. Laeger, the mayor of Vienna recently replied to a proposal of the highway committee to allow cyclists riding on a tramway path by remarking that "three sorts of people existed in the world: those who rode on horseback, those who cycled and pedestrians. He had to take care of the latter as well as of the former two classes, but he finally granted the application in a modified form."

Theosophy Not a Religion.
According to the unanimous decision of the Massachusetts supreme court theosophy is not a religion, neither is it a charitable or educational institution, and consequently the New England Theosophical corporation must pay taxes on its real estate.

AN AMBITIOUS CHIEF.

Storm King Truly Is a Most Accomplished Indian.

He Hopes to Establish an Indian State and Represent it in Congress—How He Secured His Thorough Education.

Chief Not-Afraid-of-Thunder, or, as he writes himself Storm King, is one of the finest specimens of physical manhood that walks the earth, and he is very proud of his education, which makes him a leader among his people. He is a full-blooded Comanche, and from his earliest youth he has devoted all his energies to study.

Beginning with natural talents of a high order, and possessing an extraordinary memory, he no sooner learned to read and write than he made himself familiar with the most difficult subjects. It is said that when a boy he learned the multiplication table in one night; and before he was sent to school he frequently amazed his friends by repeating whole chapters from the Bible, or long newspaper articles, after reading them two or three times.

His father was a wealthy chief and encouraged his boy to learn the white man's books. After the Comanches were settled on their reservation the old chief had the good fortune to meet with Arsayne Beaufen, a Frenchman, who had made plenty of money trading with the Indians.

This old voyager was going back to France to marry and enjoy life beneath the only skies that are bright and pretty in the eyes of a Frenchman, and he offered to take the Indian boy with him to Paris and give him the opportunity to obtain a first-class education. The shrewd old Comanche was pleased with this proposition, and the boy bade his people farewell and started away with his benefactor with the determination to secure a good education.

In less than three months the old Frenchman wrote the Comanche chief



CHIEF STORM KING.
(The Most Accomplished Indian in the United States.)

that his son was speaking French like a native and was astonishing the many friends he had made by the rapidity and ease with which he mastered everything he attacked.

The young Indian stayed in Europe four years, during which he visited almost every great city and was frequently a guest of royalty. The czar of Russia was so much pleased with his colloquial powers and the wonderful knowledge that he displayed in discussing military matters that he gave him a beautiful sword and a sum of money to enable him to pursue his travels and complete his education.

When about to return home the lad visited England and was so much pleased with the great universities that he attended a series of lectures at Oxford, where he devoted most of his time to the study of law and oratory.

He came back to his people about two years ago, bringing with him a library of several hundred volumes. He speaks six languages fluently—Comanche, English, French, German, Spanish and Italian—and says it is no more trouble for him to learn a language than it is for a "child to learn a little song."

Storm King was admitted to the bar about a year ago, and in the management of several important cases he has shown that he is a lawyer of no ordinary ability. He was pitted against the eminent son of Gen. Sam Houston, a few weeks ago, and after a hot battle, which lasted three days, he won his case.

Storm King still dresses after the custom of his people, and no amount of persuasion can induce him to change his ideas on the subject of clothing.

"I am an Indian," he says, "and I shall not make myself conspicuous, and probably unpopular, by abandoning the comfortable and picturesque dress of my people."

Chief Storm King expects to start a newspaper in the territory, and says he is writing a book which he thinks will greatly benefit his people. He is devoted to the interests of his tribe, and firmly believes he is predestined to do great work for all the Indian races and rescue them from the dark, barbarous fate toward which they seem to be drifting.

He is developing a scheme to unite all the tribes and form a great state, which he hopes to represent in congress.

Human Game for Assassins.

The czars of Russia have been the favorite game of the assassin. The noble-attacked Czar Paul in 1801. Alexander II, was attacked four times before he was finally killed in 1881 by a bomb thrown by a man, who was himself killed in St. Petersburg. Two attempts were also made on the life of the late czar, Alexander III.

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Ladies' Jackets' Clearance Sale.

After a most successful jacket season we find on our hands 20 jackets that were priced low at from \$5 to \$15. We divide this lot up into two lots. All garments that we sold from \$5 to \$10 each. Some half lined; others lined throughout. Thirty garments in this lot. Your choice EACH \$2.00.

All Ladies' Jackets

That we sold for \$5 to \$15. Most of these are elegantly lined throughout with beautiful fancy silk lining, and the price does not represent half the cost of making. Kerseys, Bonnets, Meltons, Box Fronts, Storm Collars. YOUR CHOICE FROM THIS LOT \$5 EACH.

Clearance Sale of Dress Goods.

OUR DRESS GOODS MAN has been going over his stock with a pencil in his hand and that means mark-downs all along the line to get his stock ready for inventory time.

1246 DOUBLE FOLD PLAID DRESS GOODS marked down to per yard, 6c.

3c and 4c DRESS GOODS in quantity effects. Many of these all wool goods. Your choice from a lot of about 25 pieces, PER YARD 10c.

Corresponding Reductions

In higher priced dress goods to close out a lot before taking inventory.

Remnants of Dress Goods,

Some hundreds of people had Christmas dress patterns from this store. Such a selling as that means short ends and remnants, just as surely as fire means ashes.

We had a lot of these short ends, some of which are long enough for entire gowns. We don't want these remnants—they are in the way. You do want them; they are precisely what you want. A condition of affairs that makes bargains like these. Too many prices to quote, but you will find them small enough—1 1/2 to 8 yard lengths.

Among the colored goods are Epiaelines, Granites, Storm Merges, Plain and Mixed Cheviots, Covert Cloths, Cloth Suitings, Melanges, Checks, fancy weaves, Matelasse.

Among the black goods remnants are: Sarah Serge, Mohair Plaided Suitings, Storm Merges, fancy weaves; Wool Henriettes, Plain Mohairs, Crepons.

Blankets.

CLEARANCE SALE OF SOME FINE GOODS that are a little soiled and mused. In this big store it is necessary to have goods on display. A sample to show the quality and price. In our great blanket stock, for instance, we carried over twenty five different lines, and from each line a sample is kept on the counter for display. These sample blankets, from handling, get a little soiled and mused. It does not hurt their wear or their warmth in the least, but it does hurt their price as below witness each.

ONE PAIR Eleven-quarter finest California Blankets, were \$10.00; a little soiled and mused from handling, now marked to sell for \$5.00.

ONE PAIR of Large Heavy \$8.00 Blankets; they are samples and a little soiled and are now marked at \$3.99.

ONE PAIR OF LARGE \$6.00 Blankets, used as a sample, now marked at \$2.50.

ONE PAIR OF HEAVY \$4.00 BLANKETS, a little soiled from handling, now marked at \$1.75.

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WEATHER INDICATIONS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 9.—Snow, tonight and Tuesday; colder, to-night; northerly winds.

THE TEMPERATURE.

Following was the reading of the thermometer at 7 a. m.: 28°; 12 m.: 37°; 3 p. m.: 38°.

The Elmira Gazette says that opinion as to the quality of beef furnished the United States soldiers divide along a clearly defined line:

All the men who furnished the beef agree that it was toothsome and healthful. All the men who ate the beef—or tried to—agree that it was unutterably bad.

With such a division of opinion between good men and true would not find difficulty in rendering a righteous judgment.

New Jersey's Road Commissioners report that, last year, eighty-five miles of road were improved under the State aid law, and that petitions are on file for the improvement of 427 miles more. The estimated cost of the work petitioned for is \$1,472,429, of which the State's share will be about \$500,000. It is recommended that the State's annual road appropriation be increased from \$100,000 to \$300,000. So much has been learned about road construction since the work was begun in New Jersey that the cost had been greatly reduced, it now being possible to build a first class stone road for \$4,000 a mile.

The report of John McCullagh, State Superintendent of Elections for the Greater New York District, must be read with a great many mental reservations. It was necessary for Mr. McCullagh to justify the enactment of the partisan measure, the enforcement of which was committed to his care, and it was necessary to justify his own appointment. He, therefore, deals in vague generalities concerning plans for illegal registration and voting that he claims to have thwarted by his vigilance, and since no arrests and no convictions have followed as a result of his vigilance he tries to put the blame on the police and District Attorney, and incidentally adds that his powers under the law are entirely inadequate. The report, as a whole, is labored and strained, and lacks entirely the ring of truth and sincerity.

SECOND WEEK OF COURT.

An Extra Panel of Jurors Drawn—A Busy Week in Prospect—Annie King Will Get C. J. Sloan's Life Insurance.

When Supreme Court reopened at Goshen, this morning, a number of jurors were found to be absent, owing to illness. A special panel of twenty-four from the town of Goshen was drawn. So many cases are ready now that the whole week will be taken up, and it is not likely that it can be reached.

The case of Annie M. King vs. the Supreme Council of the American Legion of Honor occupied the time of the court all the morning. After the evidence was all in Judge Hirschberg granted the motion made by J. C. R. Taylor, giving a verdict to the plaintiff for \$2,070. This includes interest from the time the policy was payable, and an extra allowance of five per cent.

The question at issue in this case was whether C. J. Sloan's insurance in the Legion of Honor should be paid to Miss King, who was named in the policy as his "affiliated wife," or whether it should go to his heir-at-law.

The case of John Farrell by guardian, vs. Erie Railroad Company has been on all of the afternoon. W. F. O'Neill appears for the plaintiff and Henry Bacon for the defendant.

All Sick Members of Company I are Doing Well.

Ex-Captain Gould, received a letter, today, from Corporal Halsey Gould, who is at Honolulu. He writes that all the Model owners are doing well. They were given a fine Christmas dinner.

Corporal Gould says he was in bed from November 4 to December 26. He thought he would start for home January 1th.

Red Hot from the Gun

Was the ball that hit G. B. Stendmann, of Newark, Mich., in the Civil War. It caused him to be in bed for two years. Then Buckner's Anker-Solve cured him. Cures cuts, Bruises, Burns, Boils, Folds, Corns, Skin Eruptions. Best Pile cure on earth. 25 cents a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by J. J. Chambers, Druggist, 57 North street, near post office.

OPPOSED TO EXPANSION.

Senator Hoar's Great Speech on the Constitutional Phases of the Question.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—Senator Hoar discussed, to-day, the constitutional phases of the expansion question. He prefaced his remarks by expressing his regret at having to differ from the President and his party associates. In this connection he said: "I have believed religiously and from my soul for half a century in the great doctrines and principles of the Republican party. I stood, in a humble capacity, by its cradle, and I don't mean, if I can help it, to follow its hearse." Continuing he declared that nothing but terrible results and penalties can result from our reduction to subjection of distant people, dwelling in the tropics, alien blood, most of them Moslem in faith, incapable of speaking or comprehending our language or reading or writing any language, and to whom the traditions and doctrines of civil liberty are unknown.

Mr. Hoar said while the advocate of expansion admitted that governments derived their just powers from the consent of some of the governed, he did not understand that in subjugating and governing the Filipinos, it was proposed to get the consent of any of them.

Mr. Hoar was inclined to ridicule those who favor expansion and the ratification of the treaty of Paris without amendments. Their arguments, he said, were: "Three cheers for the flag." "Who will dare haul it down?" "Hold on to everything you can get." America has outgrown Americanism.

Mr. Hoar said that the sovereignty which can be exercised by the nation as a unit is only that which is necessary for accomplishing the purpose of the constitution and must be expressly granted therein, or necessary or convenient in the judgment of congress to accomplish the purposes expressly declared therein. All other sovereignty is reserved to the States or to the people. The power to conquer alien peoples and hold them in subjugation is nowhere expressly granted. The power to conquer alien people and hold them in subjugation is no where implied as necessary for the accomplishment of the purposes declared by the constitution. It is clearly shown to be one that ought not to be exercised by anybody, one that the framers of the constitution thought ought not to be exercised by anybody. First, because it is immoral in itself. Second, because it is expressly denied in the declaration of independence, the great interpreter and expounder of the meaning of constitution which owes its origin to the same generation and largely to the same men.

After reference to the acquisition of Hawaii, Mr. Hoar scored this point: "You are not proposing to acquire or own property in the Philippines with dominion as a necessary incident; you are not to own a foot of land there; you propose now to acquire dominion and legislative power and nothing else. Where in the constitution is there a grant of power to exercise sovereignty where you have no property?"

He then appealed to Senators who are hesitating upon the question of expansion,—the greatest question that ever has been or ever will be put to them in their lives, not to commit themselves in principle to such a policy by supporting the treaty, and then say they will consider hereafter how they will act under it. In the course of his appeal he said: "When you raise the flag over the Philippines as an emblem of dominion and acquisition you take it down from Independence Hall."

TONGA ISLANDS' KING SCARED.

Germany Threatens to Seize His Most Fertile Island If Natives Don't Pay Their Debts.

MELBOURNE, Jan. 9.—Advices received from the Tonga islands say that the German Consul has arrived there from Samoa and has given notice that Germany will seize Savao, the most fertile of the Tonga group, unless the Tonga government pays the private debts which natives owe a German. The government, however, repudiates responsibility and says the giving of credit to the natives was contrary to law. The King is appealing to Great Britain, the United States and France.

THE BANK'S SAFE BLOWN OPEN.

ASHURNHAM, MASS., Jan. 9.—The safe of the First National Bank was blown to pieces by dynamite, about 2 o'clock, this morning, and the interior of the bank was badly wrecked, and all the windows blown out. A sum of money, estimated at from \$1,500 to \$2,000, is missing. There is no clue to the robbers.

News of Hudson Moore's Death Confirmed.

All doubts as to the fate of Hudson Moore, of Co. L, is at an end. A letter from Corporal Miller to Capt. Sheehan, which reached Newburgh, Sunday, says he died Dec. 24, in the Honolulu hospital of internal hemorrhages, following an attack of typhoid fever.

IN THE RAILROAD WORLD

Erie Conductor Nons Decker has resumed his run on No. 38. Mr. and Mrs. Decker have been spending a week with relatives at Kerkhonkon.

The Lehigh and Hudson River road is enjoying a steady increase of business. It received one day recently 211 loaded cars from one of its connecting roads—the Central of New Jersey.

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CURED BY CUTICURA.

My six-weeks old son had a breaking out on the top of his head. It spread all over his head and arms. Around his body, and legs from knees to ankles, was a solid scab. My family doctor treated him for eighteen months. I tried four more, and then a medical college. No good yet. Spent not less than a thousand dollars in money and time. Old Mr. Barney Clap insisted on my trying CUTICURA remedies. By the time my wife had used the CUTICURA (ointment) up, he began to improve and got so he could sleep short naps, and gave me and wife some rest. He is well now, after six long years of itching, crying, and worrying. CUTICURA remedies cured him. W. McNichell, Lexington, Okl.

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Men's Good Overcoats \$3 60

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Men's All Wool Black Suits 4 49

Men's Cassimere Pants 89

Boys' Reefers, 3 to 10 years 89

Boys' Suits, with vest, 3 to 8 years 1 10

Boys' Cape Overcoats, fine blue kersey \$2 30

Socks, heavy cotton 3c

Socks, heavy wool 7c

Suspenders, were 20c 7c

Heavy Underwear 18c

Men's Winter Caps 9c

Silk Neckwear, all shapes 15c

Many other bargains ready to show you. We want you to see them.

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MORRIS B. WOLF, THE BLUE FRONT STORE,

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from a first-class manufacturer, at just half price, and are putting them on sale at exactly half former prices. Remember these are all new and first-class goods. There are about 500 in the lot. A great chance for late buyers. We are going out of the yarn business, having a lot of all shades of best quality Saxony and Germantown, will sell at half price—Saxony 5c a skein and Germantown at 8c a skein. Come while the assortment lasts.

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Our 75 cent bottles are one-third larger than kinds usually sold for a dollar—Get the genuine. Remember the price 75 cents.

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—See collector's notice.
—\$4.35 a barrel for flour at J. W. Sloan's.
—"O'Hooligan's Wedding" at Casino, Jan. 14th.
—Lamps cheap at France & Hathaway's.
—Bargains this week at Dayton's.
—Health restored by Dr. Miles' Serum.
—Candlers given with Fairy Soap.
—Constipation cured by Cascarets.
—For backache, Doan's Pills.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Remember that the third page of this paper contains good local matter, today.

—Regular meeting of the Common Council, to-night.

—Orange Encampment will install officers, to-night.

—"O'Hooligan's Wedding" at the Casino, Saturday night.

—The Telegram estimates that there are 1,500 cases of grip in Newburgh.

—The annual meeting of the Hillside Cemetery Association will be held to-morrow night.

—Rev. Mr. Reichtein, of Port Jervis, preached to the members of the Lutheran Church, Sunday night.

—The Merchants' Gas Company, of Norwich, has increased its capital stock from \$2,000 to \$10,000.

—"The World Against Her" was presented to a very small audience by a very good company, Saturday night.

—There will be a special communication of Hoffman Lodge, to-night, to confer the second degree on two candidates.

—Hot drinks, beef tea, clam bouillon, tomato bouillon, chocolate, lemon and coffee, at Laskaris, 34 North street. If

—There were 191 deaths in Paterson during the month of December, of which ten were due to suicide, accidents and injuries.

—A great many sleigh riders were out Sunday. For the first time in months the liverymen were unable to supply the demand for rigs.

—A grand masquerade ball will be held at the Cottage Theatre, Mechanic town, Thursday night. Cars will run until 3 a. m. Admission fifteen cents.

—Queen Esther Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star, will confer the initiatory degree, to-morrow night, and all Masons are invited to be present.

—There will be a meeting of the executive committee of Y. P. S. C. E., of the First Baptist Church, Tuesday evening, at 8:30, in the office of the president, 25 North street.

—The members and friends will tender their pastor, Rev. J. W. McCoy, a donation, Thursday evening, at his home, No. 11 Monahan avenue. All are expected to help this cause.

—The Mission Circle connected with Christ Church will meet at Mrs. R. E. J. Eilenberger's, 43 Academy avenue, to-morrow afternoon, at 3 o'clock. A full attendance is desired.

—A horse belonging to the Anglo-Swiss condensary escaped from the stable on Canal street, this afternoon, and was speeding along James street, when Officer Roth caught him.

—The laughing success, "O'Hooligan's Wedding" will be presented at the Casino by a good company. One of its members is Harry West, the German dialect comedian, late of Weber & Fields.

PERSONAL.

—Mrs. Henry L. Adams is confined to her home by illness.

—There is very little change in the condition of D. D. C. Crans.

—Mrs. Charles E. Townsend, of Newburgh, is visiting in town.

—John S. Lyon is quite seriously ill at his home, No. 24 Knapp avenue.

—Mrs. James Hornbeck, of Port Jervis, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hornbeck.

—Miss Lizzie Stangel, of this city, is visiting relatives in Ellenville for a few days.

—Alderman Lawrence is out after several weeks' confinement to his home with grip.

—Mr. and Mrs. Leander Brink, who are suffering with grip, show improvement, to-day.

—Mrs. Thomas B. Hart and children, of Passaic, N. J., are visiting her parents, Hon. and Mrs. T. N. Little.

—Erie Conductor Dudley King resumed his run on the Mountain Express, to-day, after an illness of a fortnight.

—Mrs. Margaret Colwell, who has been ill with the grip, shows some improvement, but is still unable to leave her room.

—Recorder Barnes, who spent Sunday at his former home at Thompson Ridge, reports that his father, W. T. Barnes, is quite sick with the grip.

—Col. D. C. Dusenberry, Middletown's oldest business man, is confined to his home by a bad cold. He is much better, to-day, than he was yesterday.

—Major Chas. B. Wood, Superintendent of the Poor, was in town, Friday and Saturday, on business connected with his office. Mr. Wood is a very efficient official. —Port Jervis Gazette.

A Full Attendance Desired.

Excelsior Hook and Ladder Company desires a full attendance of active and active honoraries at the meeting, to-night, as business of importance is to be transacted.

New Cottage.

James Horton, Jr., has commenced the erection of a fine cottage on California avenue. Boss carpenter Joseph Nickerson has charge of the work. It is to be completed early in the spring.

CASTORIA.

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Dr. J. C. Williams

AN ITALIAN STABBING AFFRAY.

Thick Clothing saved Nicola Mora's Life—Stabbed Three Times With a Small Knife—No Arrests Made and None Likely to be Made.

There came very near being a murder in this city, Sunday afternoon, nothing but the thickness of Nicola Mora's clothing preventing his death. He was carried to Dr. Fancher's, with three stab wounds in his body. The doctor is ill, but he made temporary dressings and sent the man to Thrall Hospital.

There is an air of mystery about the whole affair. The police say that no arrests have been made, nor will there be. They say that there is a woman in the case, and that all concerned are trying to hush up the affair and will not make any complaint.

It is reported, however, that the stabber was Frank Cosca. He lives with his wife at 69 Cottage street, two doors from the McShane building.

He went home, Sunday afternoon, about 4 o'clock, and found Mora there. How he found him or what caused the rumpus is not stated, but it is alleged that Cosca pulled a small knife and plunged it into Mora three times, twice in the back and once in the left breast, just above the heart.

Mora's cries brought the neighbors, and he was carried to Dr. Fancher's office. This morning he was discharged from the hospital.

THE CASINO'S NEW MANAGER.

Mr. Corey Having Resigned, George Lea Becomes His Successor.

On account of illness, Horace W. Corey, who has been manager of the Casino since it was built, and who was also manager of the theatre into which the old skating rink was transformed, has resigned. Mr. Watts, the owner of the property, has engaged George Lea as manager, and he will hereafter run the theatre.

Mr. Lea is the oldest theatrical manager in the country, and his long and varied experience and his familiarity with the tastes of the public will enable him to manage the theatre successfully and to the satisfaction of its patrons and its owner.

Manager Lea's office will be at the Madison House, where he will transact business connected with the theatre at any hour of the day and evening.

O. S. Hathaway went to New York, to-day, to arrange for booking some shows for the remainder of the season.

MADE A FLYING VISIT.

S. H. Giles Crossed the Ocean and Could Spend a Day With His Brothers Here.

S. H. Giles, of Westbury, Eng., made a flying visit, last week, to his brothers, Job B. and Walter Giles, of this city. Having a short time to spare he planned a trip to this country and expected to be able to spend several days with his brothers, but the Majesty, on which he was a passenger, was delayed by bad weather, and he did not reach New York until Friday. He came at once to this city, but had to return to New York Saturday, having engaged his return passage on the Aurania, of the Canard line, which sailed on that day. Short as his visit was Mr. Giles enjoyed it immensely, and he returns to his English home convinced that his brothers made no mistake when they came to America and settled in Middletown.

KNOCKED DOWN BY A TEAM.

Aged Mrs. Costello Badly Hurt While Crossing Franklin Square.

Mrs. Ann Costello, an aged woman of No. 62 Montgomery street, was walking on Franklin Square, to-day, at 1:30, when she stepped directly in front of Edward Doremus' team and was knocked down. She was trampled upon about the head and did not see or hear the team, which was moving slowly. She was unconscious when Officer Roth reached her side and he carried her into Olney's drug store, where she was resuscitated. Dr. Connor was summoned and he found her suffering from bruises and shock. She was taken to her home.

WRECKS ON THE ERIE.

Two Freight Trains Come to Grief Near Goschen.

The Erie had two wrecks at XA tower near Goschen, Saturday night. The first was caused by Conductor Cassidy's train being backed into an engine standing in the switch, about 7 o'clock. The caboose was wrecked and burned.

Early Sunday morning, at about the same place, a wreck occurred which blocked both tracks for several hours, ten cars being piled up. No. 12 was sent around the wreck, via the O. and W. to Campbell Hall and the Montgomery branch.

Will Build Another Theatre.

Ex-Manager Corey stated to an Argus reporter, to-day, that he had associated himself with a well known business man of this city, and that he will build a new theatre as soon as the weather will permit. It will be known as the Bijou and will be devoted entirely to vaudeville. It will have one balcony and slanting floors.

Official History of the First New York.

The report of the adjutant general of the State of New York to the Governor contains a complete and condensed history of the First New York Volunteers, from the time it was formed of the separate companies until its return to New York State from Honolulu.

No morphine or opium in Dr. Miles' Pain-Expeller. Cures All Pains. "One dose a dose."

RELICS OF THE REVOLUTION.

The Great Chain Across the Hudson at West Point.

The item published in this paper, a few days ago, concerning some of the links from the great chain stretched across the Hudson at West Point during the Revolutionary War, which are in the possession of ex-Mayor Hewitt, attracted the attention of N. H. Williams, of Ridgebury, who sends us the following account of the great chain which appeared in the Popular Science Monthly:

One of the most notable events connected with the manufacture of iron during the years of this country's infancy, was the making of the great iron chain which, in 1778, was stretched across the Hudson River at West Point to prevent the passage of British vessels. Lying in his Field Book of the Revolution gives a very interesting account of this work of which we can quote only the leading facts.

The iron of which this chain was constructed was wrought from ore of equal parts from the Sterling and Long Mines in Orange county; the chain was manufactured by Peter Townsend, of Chester, at the Sterling Iron Works in the same county, which were situated about 25 miles back of West Point.

The chain was completed about the middle of April, 1778, and on the 1st of May it was stretched across the river and secured. It was fixed to huge blocks on each shore and under cover of batteries on both sides of the river.

"It is buoyed up," says Dr. Thacher, writing in 1780, "by very large logs about sixteen feet long, pointed at the ends to lessen their opposition to the force of the current at flood and ebb tide. The logs are placed at short distances from each other, the chain carried over them and made fast to each by staples. There are also a number of anchors dropped at proper distances, with cables made fast to the chain to give it better stability."

The total weight of this chain was 180 tons. Mr. Lossing visited West Point in 1848, and saw a portion of this famous chain, and tells us that there are twelve links, two cleaves and a portion of a link remaining. The links are made of iron bars, two-and-a-half inches square and average in length a little over two feet, and weigh about 100 pounds each.

CHRIST CHURCH'S YOUNG PEOPLE

Elected Officers for Their Christian Union Sunday, Afternoon.

At the regular meeting of the Jr. Y. P. C. U. of Christ Universalist Church, Sunday afternoon, the following officers were elected to serve until July 1st, 1799:

Supt.—Miss Maud Davis.
Pres.—Edwin Goldsmith.
Vice Pres.—Flora Wood.
Sec.—Myra Gibbs.

Treas.—Wallace LeFevre.
Lookout Committee—Orma Freeman, Myrtle Wood, Bert Goff, Sadie Crane, Richard Clemons.

Devotional Committee—Myra Gibbs, Laura Walker, Clarence O'Neil, Willie Stern.

Sunshine Committee—Leona Constant, Anna Wood, Frances Clemons.

Social Committee—Katherine Goff, Ivan Mapes, Rowena Stern, Edson Coleman.

HYMENEAL.

Woyce—Cronk.
From the Port Jervis Union.

John J. Boyce, son of James Boyce, of this village, and Miss Lulu Cronk, daughter of the late John Cronk, of Middletown, were married at Grace Church rectory on Dec. 22, by Rev. U. Symonds. The couple for the present will make their residence at the home of the groom's parents on First street.

Newburgh Woman Arrested on a Serious Charge.

Mrs. Caroline Hart, a midwife and "medic botanist" of Newburgh, is under arrest at Peekskill charged with having caused the death of Mrs. John Ryan, a young married woman, by criminal malpractice.

Celebrated Their Golden Wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Dickinson, of Hale's Eddy, celebrated their golden wedding, Wednesday, Jan. 4th. They were the recipients of many gifts from friends and neighbors.

Obituary Notes.

—Chief Despatcher Glasier, of the Erie's Delaware Division, died Sunday at his home in Port Jervis.

—Abraham Winfield, for many years Superintendent of Bridges on the Erie, died Friday, at his home in Hardyston, N. J.

—Mrs. Elmira Wheeler, widow of William Higby, died at the Old Ladies' Home, to-day, aged seventy-eight years. The funeral will be held at the Home, Wednesday at 11 o'clock. Burial at Coddaburysville.

—Frank Wiley, died at his home, near Monroe, January 4, aged seventy-two years. He was formerly in business in New York city, but came to Monroe thirty years ago and settled on a farm he had bought there.

The Heart Must Not Be Trifled With.

Where there are symptoms of heart weakness, there should be Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart; it's a magical remedy, gives relief in thirty minutes, and there are thousands who testify that it cures permanently. Mrs. W. T. Rundle, of Dundalk, Ont., says: "I was for years unable to attend to my household duties. I used Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart, the result was wonderful, the pain left me immediately after the first dose, and a few bottles cured."

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AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN TOWN.

A Runaway—Club's Meeting and Smoker—Miss Samuel's Betrothal Reception—Special Musical Services—Enjoying the sleighing—Left in Darkness—St. John's Church's Financial Report— stolen Tools Recovered.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

—Dr. Seward's horse ran away Sunday morning, and dumped the driver from the sleigh on Greenwich street. There were no serious results from the runaway.

—Wirt White, of Newburgh, is visiting friends in town.

—A regular meeting and smoker of the Goshen Social and Athletic Association is to be held to-night. Applications for membership are to be considered, and a full attendance is desired.

—Miss Bertha Samuels and her fiancé, Max Sondheim, of New York, will receive this evening, from 8 to 10, at Miss Samuel's home, on Greenwich street.

—Lewis Wilcox is seriously ill.

—There were special musical services at St. John's Church, Sunday, and John Wilson accompanied the singing with the violin.

—There was the best sleighing of the season, Sunday, and the speedway from Johnson's corner to the clerk's office, was black with turnouts all afternoon.

—Something went wrong with one of the boilers at the Goshen Light and Power Company's plant, Saturday afternoon, which necessitated shutting down. The lights were turned on as usual, and just as the merchants were busiest, at about 7:45 o'clock, half the lights of the village were shut off. The St. Elmo Hotel was in darkness, and in John Hansen's barber shop it was necessary to finish shaving the customers by candle light. Other business places and residences were similarly lighted until the lights were again turned on, about an hour later.

—The Church of St. John the Evangelist, rendered its financial report, yesterday. The report shows that from various sources \$4,477.88 were received during the past year, of which \$610 remains in the treasury. The church debt on January 1, 1897, was \$12,600.

—The frame of an elevator to be used in connection with C. B. Wilkes' coal business, has been erected at his yards.

—A part of the tools stolen last week from the Eric carpenter shop, have been recovered. They were found by a small colored boy, the other day, under a lumber pile in the yard of W. H. Sanford, where they had evidently been hidden by the thieves, with the intention of removing them at some future time.

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Brought to Thrall Hospital.

Archibald O'Neill, of Fallsburgh, who was stricken with paralysis, some days ago, was brought to Thrall Hospital, Sunday night, by E. R. Russell, proprietor of the hotel at Fallsburgh.

Grave Men Fall.

Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and all feel the results in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, backache, nervousness, headache and tired, listless, run-down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that. Listen to J. W. Gardner, Idaville, Ind. He says: "Electric Bitters are just the thing for a man when he is run down, and don't care whether he lives or dies. It did more to give me new strength and good appetite than anything I could take. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life." Only 50 cents, at J. J. Chambers' drug store, 57 North street, near post office. Every bottle guaranteed.

If you have catarrh, don't dally with local remedies, but purify and enrich your blood with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Hood's
Sarsaparilla
Cures

Permanently Cures
Scrofula,

which is one of the worst afflictions of the human race, and comes from impure blood.

Eczema,

a most offensive and uncomfortable affection of the skin, also due to impure blood.

Salt Rheum,

a torment to the flesh, a disfigurement to the body, and a drain on the system, also due to vitiated blood.

Pimples,

which so disfigure the skin, and make the human face divine anything but a thing of beauty, but which are Nature's advertisement of foul blood.

Catarrh,

which very often comes from a chronic affection of the circulation, is a constant offense to one's self and all his friends.

Rheumatism,

which all authorities now attribute to various acidities in the blood, which this great blood purifier of the age, Hood's Sarsaparilla, corrects.

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OPEN LETTER FROM CITY PASTORS

Encouraged by the Week of Prayer Meetings, which have been held at the First Baptist Church, every afternoon and in each of the other churches every evening last week. Despite conditions unfavorable to a large attendance, there was a goodly and apparently increasing interest manifested, so that many have expressed a desire for the continuance of the meetings for another week.

To the members of our churches and all other interested persons:

DEAR FRIENDS:—The Week of Prayer has closed. It has been appropriately and profitably observed in the union services which have been held at the First Baptist Church every afternoon and in each of the other churches every evening last week. Despite conditions unfavorable to a large attendance, there was a goodly and apparently increasing interest manifested, so that many have expressed a desire for the continuance of the meetings for another week.

As pastors of the churches we have decided, therefore, to hold a service each evening of this week, Jan. 9-13 (except Saturday), in the different churches as follows: First Baptist, Monday, (tonight); St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal, Tuesday; Second Presbyterian, Wednesday; Congregational, Thursday, and in the First Presbyterian Church on Friday evening. The different choirs and singers of the congregations are invited to co-operate in conducting the music.

The series of evangelistic meetings will be held with special reference to reaching those who are not identified with the church and also those of our members who have become cold and backslidden. Some of the pastors will deliver short addresses each evening, to be followed by an inquiry meeting.

We are aware that many of our people are sick or in attendance upon the sick, many are aged and infirm and many have pressing engagements that cannot be put aside. But after making allowance for all such there should still be enough of the Christian people able to respond to the call to make the meetings most enthusiastic and inspiring.

As pastors, we affectionately urge upon our members to attend and invite neighbors and friends, in whose spiritual welfare we are or should be interested, to come also. We would suggest also that a certain hour of the day be set apart for special prayer in secret for the blessing of God upon the effort that is to be put forth, and that interviews be had with the unsaved and those who have grown careless in religion, and that we labor for the immediate conversion of souls. Further we affectionately exhort our people, one and all, to renewed personal consecration to God, and to seek most earnestly that endowment of power for the special work in which we are asked to engage.

The religious life of our city at the present time is such as to occasion pain and misgivings in the heart of every true disciple of Jesus Christ, and we desire to arouse the careless in Zion to a sense of their personal responsibility to this sad condition of affairs, and press home upon each one who has named the name of Christ the necessity of renewed consecration to Almighty God and diligence in His service.

Let there be a rally then of all the forces of all the churches, if happily we may witness the gracious outpourings of the divine spirit, so greatly needed and so devoutly longed for.

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THRALL HOSPITAL CALENDAR.

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From the New York Observer.

A novel and beautiful calendar has been made in the interest and for the benefit of Thrall Hospital, Middletown, N. Y., by Jesse W. Canfield and some literary associates. It is a sort of year book for 1899, with a prelude by Luther R. Marsh, and a page divided into seven sections for each week. In each section is the day of the week, and the day of the month, followed horizontally by one or more quotations. These quotations are from a wide range of English literature and are printed in clear type. The pages are of royal octavo size, and are held at the top by largerings upon which they turn. A gilded rod and chain are provided by which the calendar can be hung against the wall or from a bracket. A tasteful design ornaments the cover. In the main this calendar follows the "Silent Comforter" and similar devices, but it has advantages peculiar to itself. It is one of the most handy, attractive and practical calendars which we have seen this year.

A few copies still left at Hanford & Horton's.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Sarah M. Harlow.

Mrs. Sarah M., wife of James H. Harlow, died, Sunday night about 7 o'clock, at her home at Mechanicville. Her death was caused by pneumonia, which resulted from a fall.

The deceased was born Feb. 2d, 1834, at Scotchtown, being a daughter of Jacob and Eliza Mills. She married James H. Harlow, Sept. 26th, 1865. Her husband, two sisters and one brother survive her: Kate, wife of James E. Boak, Addie D., of Mechanicville, and J. Denton Mills.

The funeral will be held at the Second Presbyterian Church, at 11 o'clock tomorrow.

A Raines Law Arrest.

Michael Hayes, a Newburgh saloon keeper, and Richard Murphy, his bartender, were held in \$1,000 bail each for selling liquor after the surrender of a Raines law certificate. The complainant was an ex-cise inspector, who was sent to Newburgh to get evidence in the case.

In Olden Times

People overlooked the importance of permanently beneficial effects and were satisfied with transient action; but now that it is generally known that Syrup of Figs will permanently overcome habitual constipation, well informed people will not buy other laxatives which act for a time, but finally injure the system. Buy the genuine, made by the California Fig Syrup Co.

The Hudson River Ice Harvest.

A conservative estimate of the amount paid for labor yearly by the companies whose large ice houses border on the Hudson River, is between \$500,000 and \$600,000. At least \$100,000 is earned by the residents near Poughkeepsie. Over 4,000,000 tons of ice are stored annually.

Has Joined a Theatrical Company.

William Smart, who has been visiting his parents on James street, for the past two months, left Sunday night, to join in New York the "Two Little Vagabonds" company, which, to-night, will open at Norfolk, Va.

He Is Now Free.

"My husband was so severely afflicted with rheumatism that he could not turn himself in bed, but since taking Hood's Serravallo's he is almost entirely free from it. He has also taken it for pain in the stomach and it has given him relief."

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To Hillside Cemetery Lot Owners.

The first annual meeting of the lot owners of Hillside Cemetery will be held in Nearing's Hall, North street, Middletown, N. Y., on Tuesday evening, Jan. 10th, 1899, at 7:30 p. m. At this meeting the directors will make a full report of their management of the cemetery during the six months they have been in charge, and will be very glad to receive suggestions relative to the future management of the property from interested lot owners, whom they represent.

If any lot owner has any grievance pertaining to cemetery matters the directors respectfully request that he attend the meeting and make it known. A large attendance of lot owners is earnestly desired.

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J. G. HARDING, Sec. 47d2t

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	Yesterday	Today
Sugar	127	129
Tobacco	148 1/2	148
Chicago Gas	112 1/2	112 1/2
Nat. Lead	37 1/2	39 1/2
General Electric	99 1/2	99 1/2
U. S. L., pref.	72 1/2	72 1/2
Tenn. Coal and Iron	36 1/2	36 1/2
A. T. & S. F.	18 1/2	22 1/2
C. B. & Q.	125	125 1/2
C. M. & St. P.	121 1/2	121 1/2
R. I.	114 1/2	114 1/2
D. L. & W.	—	—
C. of N. J.	—	98
Erie	14 1/2	—
D. and H.	110	110 1/2
O. & W.	20 1/2	20 1/2
Shenandoah & Western	—	—
Suequia & West., pref.	—	—
P. & R.	22	22
N. W.	141 1/2	141 1/2
L. S.	—	—
N. Y. C.	122 1/2	123 1/2
M. P.	45	45 1/2
Texas	45 1/2	45 1/2
U. P.	45 1/2	45 1/2
W. Union	95 1/2	95 1/2
L. & N.	64 1/2	64 1/2
Manhattan	101 1/2	102 1/2
P. M.	45 1/2	45 1/2
Wabash, pref.	23	23 1/2
No. Pacific, pref.	76 1/2	76 1/2
Metropolitan Traction	190 1/2	190 1/2
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	88 1/2	88 1/2
Southern, pref.	42 1/2	42 1/2
CHICAGO MARKET.		
May Wheat	69 1/2	70 1/2
May Corn	37	37 1/2
May Oats	27 1/2	27 1/2
May Pork	89 1/2	89 1/2
May Lard	5 1/2	5 1/2

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ANOTHER Special in Writing Paper. All 25c boxes for 15c, this week, at DAYTON'S.

QUININE Pills 5c a dozen 30c a hundred. New supply at CHAMBERS' Pharmacy, 57 North St.

WANTED—Case of bad health that R-I-P-A-S-S will not benefit. Send 5 cents to Ripand Chemical Co., New York, for 50 samples and 1,000 testimonials. 59d17Jy14'99

ROOMS TO LET—Six rooms, modern improvements. Enquire 31 Myrtle avenue.

CROSBY will sell all holiday goods this week at cost. He offers bargains in underwear and hosiery. Several show cases for sale very cheap. Mrs. C. P. Clark's old stand.

THIS Week Only—50 clothes pins, 50 lot of clothes line and 5 cases of Morgan's good laundry soap for 15c at DAYTON'S.

DR. AYRES' Eucalypti Plasters are splendid for a cough. Applied to the chest, relief and cure promptly follows. Sold at CHAMBERS' Pharmacy, 57 North St., near postoffice.

HANDKERCHIEFS were never more in demand than just now during the prevalence of grip. CROSBY is prepared to supply the public at right prices. 15 West Main St.

I WILL Exchange "Locksley Hall" with the form of ten acres all lying in the city limits, for a home and lot centrally located, or will trade it for good rentable property. Rare opportunity to quick dealer.

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Annual Meeting of Lot Owners.

The annual meeting of the lot owners of Hillside Cemetery Corporation will be held in NEARBY HALL, No. 58 North street, on Monday, Jan. 9th, at 7:30 p. m., for the purpose of electing three directors to serve for three years in the place of John E. Isaman, James A. Clark and George Smith, whose term of office will expire on that date. The first annual report of the officers will be made at that time.

IRA L. CASE, President.
JAMES G. HARDING, Secretary.

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COLLECTOR'S NOTICE.

State and County Taxes

Notice is hereby given, as required by statute, to the taxable inhabitants of the city of Middletown, N. Y., that the undersigned Collector of Taxes, in and for said city, has received the tax roll and warrant for the collection of State and County Taxes for the current year, and will attend at the City Clerk's office, Room No. 2, Times Building, corner King and Center streets, on each working day of the week, accepting Saturday afternoons and the 20th, 21st and 22nd of January, 1899, for 30 days from the date hereof, from 9 o'clock in the forenoon until 4 o'clock in the afternoon of each said day for the purpose of receiving the taxes assessed upon each roll.

I. B. A. TAYLOR, Collector.

Dated December 15th, 1898. 47d6t

BUSINESS CARDS.

JOHN DONOVAN, Undertaker and Embalmer, 134 North street. Fine coaches to let. Telephone 15. Lady assistant. Open day and night.

I. D. OSTERHOUT, Undertaker and Embalmer, 44 James St., Middletown, N. Y. Orange County Telephone—183 residence, 318 office. Hudson River or long distance telephone No. 261. Branch office—48 Myrtle Ave., Brooklyn, 48 Great Jones St., New York. Lady Assistant.

DOUGHERTY & CAREY, Undertakers and Embalmers, 50 Cottage street, Middletown. Telephone 42, night and day. New York office, 52 Great Jones street. Also long distance telephone. Lady assistant.

FRED O. ROCKAFELLOW, Funeral Director and Embalmer, 99 North street. Telephone No. 3. Lady assistant. New York office 154 East 23d street, with H. E. Taylor & Co.

KNAPP & MERRITT, Undertakers and Embalmers, 42 West Main street corner James, Middletown, N. Y. 50 Great Jones St., New York city. Lady assistant. Telephone Call No. 19.

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Our Annual January Sale of Muslin Underwear!

4,392 pieces of Muslin Underwear in this Great January Offering. Successful storekeeping does not mean gigantic profit; it means doing business continually, constantly selling seasonable goods at such small profits. This is the argument for the thousands of pieces we offer you and you reap the benefit of our close buying. No woman can afford to miss this great sale. We advise all our customers to come early while the assortment and sizes are unbroken.

Corset Covers.

252 plain Corset Covers in cambric or fine muslin, sizes 32 to 40; 9c each.

288 Muslin and Cambric Corset Covers, cut V and square shape, trimmed with embroidery, 15c.

240 Corset Covers, made from fine muslin or cambric, trimmed with wide Hamburg, sizes 32 to 38; 19c.

480 Corset Covers in a great variety of styles. You will wonder how they can be made at the price; as long as they last 25c.

360 fine Corset Covers, all handsomely trimmed, mostly blouse shape or new French shape; as long as they last 49c.

Short Skirts.

Six different styles, made plain, tucked and trimmed, with lace or embroidery. For this lot, 29, 34, 48, 69c.

Gowns.

10 dozen plain Muslin Gowns, nicely made and full size; as long as they last 39c.

24 dozen Gowns, six different styles in this lot, all nicely trimmed and full sized. Be sure and get your share, 49c.

12 dozen Gowns, made from extra heavy cotton, some plain, others trimmed; great values for the prices, 59 and 69c.

31 dozen Ladies' Gowns, some trimmed with lace, others trimmed with embroidery and insertion. Must be seen to be appreciated. You will wonder how the trimmings could be bought at the prices, 79, 89, 99c; \$1.19, \$1.48.

White Skirts.

Ten different styles in this great assortment, made from fine muslin, all umbrella shape. At 39, 49, 79, 89, 99c; \$1.19, \$1.39, \$1.48.

Drawers.

240 pairs Muslin Drawers, made from good muslin, with extra wide ruffle tucked, 19c pair.

240 pair fine Muslin Drawers, could not be better made, with extra wide ruffle of cambric, hemstitched; 25c pair.

120 pair Umbrella Drawers, trimmed with fine embroidery; while they last 29c pair.

120 pair fine Umbrella Drawers, made from fine cambric, trimmed with lace and insertion; for this sale 39c.

Five Umbrella Drawers, made from fine muslin or cambric, handsomely trimmed, in a great variety of styles, 49c.

Outing Underwear.

Ladies' Gowns, Ladies' Short Skirts, Men's Night Shirts and Children's Gowns and Night Drawers at our special low prices.

Our Annual January Sale of Housekeeping Goods!

This is the time of the year every good housekeeper lays in her stock of Housekeeping Goods. By watching the market and buying and selling for spot cash, we are able to offer you goods that every one who needs such goods can afford to buy their whole year's supply at this Great January Offering. We quote a few of the many bargains we have that will pay you to come miles to get rather than miss the chance of getting your share.

Table Linen.

25 pieces for this great sale, the way the linen market is about the wholesale prices.

58 inch half-bleached Table Linen, cost more to import; as long as they last 25c.

58 inch bleached Table Damask, not one thread of linen in it, but great goods to wear, 25c yard.

72 inch bleached Union Table Linen, only one pattern in this 5 piece lot, but a bargain, 40c yard.

72 inch, all linen, bleached Table Damask, the best value that will be shown by any firm this year, 50c yard.

Sheets and Pillow Cases.

5-4 Bleached Hemstitched Pillow Cases made from yard cotton, 10c.

5-4 Bleached Pillow Cases, no better cotton made, finished with heading, washed and ironed, 12c or \$1.25 dozen.

8-4 and 9-4 Bleached Sheets, made from fine cotton, all washed and ironed, 35 and 40c each.

240 Flannelette Wrappers, made in one style, in eight different colorings, bound seams, well worth \$1; for this great JANUARY SALE 79